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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AGREEMENT

REF: LIBREVILLE 2312, LIBREVILLE 2435, STATE 216859

1. ON SEPT 8, MOFA SEC GEN MEBALEY HANDED ME DIPLOMATIC NOTE DATED SEPT 7, 1978, REQUESTING AGREEMENT AS GABONESE AE AND P TO THE UNITED STATES FOR JOSE JOSEPH AMIAR. NOTE EXPRESSES HOPE THAT WE WILL PROCESS THEIR REQUEST FAVORABLY, AND BY IMPLICATION ASAP. I PROMISED TRANSMIT REQUEST IMMEDIATELY. ASKED WHETHER AMB MAMBOUKA WAS AWARE OF REQUEST, MEBALEY REPLIED THAT HE WAS NOT, AND WOULD ONLY BE TOLD AFTER AGREEMENT HAS BEEN GRANTED. ACCORDINGLY, DEPT SHOULD TAKE SPECIAL CARE TO ENSURE THAT MAMBOUKA DOES NOT RPT NOT LEARN OF HIS IMPENDING RECALL FROM US. FULL TEXT OF NOTE, INCLUDING BIO DATA, FOLLOWS. WE WILL POUCH NOTE ITSELF (WHICH ADDRESSED TO DEPT), BUT ASSUME DEPARTMENT WILL ACT ON BASIS THIS MESSAGE.

2. TEXT OF NOTE NO. 160 DATED SEPT 7, 1978: QUOTE:
THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRES AND COOPERATION OF THE GABONESE REPUBLIC PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN WASHINGTON, AND HAS THE HONOR TO INFORM IT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE GABONESE REPUBLIC PROPOSES TO ACCREDIT TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY, RESIDENT IN
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WASHINGTON, MISTER JOSE JOSEPH AMIAR, IN REPLACEMENT OF MISTER JEAN DANIEL MAMBOUKA, REASSIGNED.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND COOPERATION OF THE GABONESE REPUBLIC HAS SELECTED ("A RERENU LA CANDIDATURE DE") MISTER JOSE JOSEPH AMIAR, BEING CERTAIN THAT HE PROPOSES ALL THE NECESSARY QUALIFICATIONS TO FULFILL SUCH A CRITICAL ("DELICATE") MISSION.

THEREFORE, IT IS TRANSMITTING THE CURRICULUM VITAE OF THE CONCERNED PARTY FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND COOPERATION OF THE GABONESE REPUBLIC REQUESTS THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN WASHINGTON TO STUDY WITH ITS CUSTOMARY GOODWILL THE CANDIDATURE OF MISTER JOSE JOSEPH AMIAR TO THE AFOREMENTIONED POSITION AND TO INFORM IT IF IT IS PREPARED TO GIVE ITS AGREEMENT TO HIS OFFICIAL NOMINATION.
COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE.

NAME: AMIAR

PRENAMES: JOSE-JOSEPH

BORN: OCTOBER 19, 1936 AT M'BIGOU (GABON)

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY STUDIES FROM 1943 TO 1956.

FROM JANUARY 1957 TO DECEMBER 31, 1961, FRENCH ARMY.

TRANSFERRED TO GABONESE ARMED FORCES JANUARY 1, 1962.

JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE IN JUNE 1965 AND APPOINTED TO THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, WHICH HE WILL LEAVE IN JANUARY 1967 TO BECOME ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF TOURISM.

IT IS IN APRIL 1968 THAT HE BEGINS HIS DIPLOMATIC CAREER AS HEAD OF CHANCELLERY/FIRST SECRETARY AT THE GABONESE PERMANENT MISSION IN NEW YORK.

FEBRUARY 1970, HE WAS NAMED COUNSELOR AT THE GABONESE EMBASSY IN ISRAEL.

MAY 1970, HE WAS PROMOTED TO AMBASSADOR OF GABON TO THE UNITED
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KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND.

AUGUST 1971, AMBASSADOR OF GABON IN IVORY COAST, WITH SIMULTANEOUS ACCREDITATION TO THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES:

SENEGAL: FROM DECEMBER 1971 TO NOVEMBER 1973

NIGER: FROM DECEMBER 1971 TO JULY 1975

BENIN (DAHOMY): FROM JANUARY 1972 TO JULY 1975

UPPER VOLTA: FROM APRIL 1972 TO JULY 1975

MAURITANIA: FROM JANUARY 1972 TO JANUARY 1975

TOGO: FROM JULY 1973 TO JULY 1975

AMBASSADOR OF GABON IN UNITED REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON SINCE AUGUST 1975.

MISTER AMIAR IS CIVIL ADMINISTRATOR AND AMBASSADOR OF GABON.

DECORATIONS:

COMMANDER OF THE ORDER OF THE EQUATORIAL STAR (GABON)

COMMANDER OF THE GABONESE ORDER OF MERIT

K.B.E. OF THE ORDER OF SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT GEORGE (GREAT BRITAIN)

GRAND OFFICER OF THE NATIONAL ORDER OF MAURITANIA

GRAND OFFICER OF THE NATIONAL ORDER OF IVORY COAST

COMMANDER OF THE NATIONAL ORDER OF IVORY COAST

COMMANDER OF THE NATIONAL ORDER OF NIGER

COMMANDER OF THE NATIONAL ORDER OF THE LION (SENEGAL)

COMMANDER OF THE NATIONAL ORDER OF UPPER VOLTA

COMMANDER OF THE NATIONAL ORDER OF MONROVIA (TOGO)

COMMANDER OF THE NATIONAL ORDER OF BENIN (FORMERLY DAHOMEY)
MISTER AMIAR IS MARRIED AND FATHER OF SEVEN CHILDREN.
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